

How to Get Rid of Catarrh.

A Simple, Safe, Reliable Way, and It Costs Nothing to Try.

Those who suffer from catarrh know its miseries. There is no need of this suffering. You can get rid of it by a simple, safe, inexpensive, home treatment discovered by Dr. Blosser, who, for over thirty-six years, has been treating catarrh successfully.

His treatment is unlike any other. It is not a spray, douche, salve, cream or inhaler, but is a more direct and thorough treatment than any of these. It cleans out the head, nose, throat and lungs so that you can again breathe freely and sleep without that stopped-up feeling that all catarrh sufferers have. It heals the diseased mucous membranes and arrests the foul discharge, so that you will not be constantly blowing your nose and spitting, and at the same time it does not poison the system and ruin the stomach, as internal medicines do.

If you want to test this treatment without cost, send your address to Dr. J. W. Blosser, 110 Walton street, Atlanta, Ga., and he will send you by return mail enough of the medicine to satisfy you that it is all he claims for it as a remedy for catarrh, catarrhal headaches, catarrhal deafness, asthma, bronchitis, colds and all catarrhal complications. He will also send you free an illustrated booklet. Write him immediately.

BIG CROPS OF CORN ARE RAISED BY BOYS

Department of Agriculture Gets Reports From Contest in Mississippi.

Reports have been received at the Department of Agriculture from the boys' corn club of Mississippi. The result for the past season promises to exceed the record made last year. Both the boys and the department officials who started the movement are pleased with the results.

The average of the corn crop for the state was last year fourteen bushels per acre. Some of the boys, following the new methods of seed selection and cultivation, raised forty bushels and over.

Boys Get Big Crops. There were forty boys in the state who raised ninety-two bushels an acre, and there was one who raised 152 bushels. This was the record crop, but he will not receive the award of merit, because he used an excessive amount of fertilizer.

The scheme of the corn club contest is the largest crop raised at the smallest expense. The corn is shelled and measured and weighed under the supervision of a committee of disinterested business men.

Cost Thirteen Cents a Bushel.

The award this year probably will go to a boy who raised a forty-bushel crop on a measured acre at an expense of 13 cents a bushel. This included the rent of the land, the labor and fertilizer and all other expenses. The boy who raised the crop of 152 bushels did it at a profit as corn was selling, but he spent \$20 in fertilizer, and this vitiated the record on the basis that the contest stipulates.

TO DISCUSS WATERWAYS.

Women's Rivers and Harbors Congress Meets Next Week.

The Women's National Rivers and Harbors Congress is scheduled to assemble for its biennial convention in this city next week. The convention, which will meet on the day that the federal Congress convenes, will be charged with the election of new officers and directors. From reports received by Mrs. J. F. Ellison, vice president for Ohio, who has attended headquarters in this city, the largest attendance in the history of the association is predicted.

Mrs. Hoyle Tomkins of Stony Point, N. Y., president of the movement, has devoted much time to the education of the women and children throughout the United States to the necessity of improving the nation's waterways. She has entrusted the interest of the Federation of Women's Clubs in the economy of the subject, and as a result it is anticipated that Washington will have within a few days the largest gathering of more women who are interested in educational work along national lines than the capital has witnessed in years.

Fence Burns; Damage, \$10.

A fence in the rear of 1303 F street northeast caught fire yesterday afternoon while several children were playing with lighted matches. No. 10 engine company was called and extinguished the blaze after about \$10 damage had resulted.

It pays to read the want columns of The Star. Hundreds of situations are filled through them.

"77" Humphreys' Seventy-Seven Breaks up Grip and COLDS

Ask Your Neighbor!!!

If you want to know how good a remedy "Seventy-seven" is for Colds, ask your neighbor about it.

A word from a disinterested person will carry more weight than if we talked on for ever.

"Seventy-seven" is a good remedy for Coughs, Colds, Grip, Influenza and Sore Throat. At all Drug Stores, 25c, or mailed.

Humphreys' Homeo. Medicine Co., cor. Willam and Ann Streets, New York.

SHOPS ARE CROWDED

Gift Buyers Preparing for Christmas Day.

RICH DISPLAY IN WINDOWS

Change in Taste for Presents Is Manifest.

TOYS ARE NOW UP-TO-DATE

Modeled After Modern Inventions.

Stores May Not Keep Open Nights.

Christmas, the greatest holiday of the year, is less than one month distant; just twenty-seven days, to be exact, today. Of this number but twenty are shopping days, and the stores, which for a long time have been warning their patrons to come early and avoid the rush, are being filled by larger and larger crowds each day.

Already the down-town section has taken on the festive appearance; shop windows are filled with colored balls, tinsel and various other ornaments for Christmas trees; wagons, drums, dolls, books and countless other objects which are the delight of youthful fancy have found their places in the greatest display of the year.

Other windows exhibit large quantities of nuts, candies, fruit and cakes. The large heaps of shelled nuts suggest homemade candies and nut cakes, and the candies and cakes well filled tables, the festive board spread for the most pleasing feast of the year.

No Christmas Greens Yet.

Something there is lacking, however, without which the spirit of Christmas cannot reach its climax. There are no Christmas trees on the local market yet, nor sprigs of holly and mistletoe.

The first shipment of trees from the northern woods is expected to reach this city about December 10. Shipment has already reached Philadelphia.

The fine weather, one element which keeps all from realizing the close proximity of the "gift time," is productive of large crowds, especially Saturday nights. For the last few weeks Saturday night down town has been a tremendously holiday-like. The overflowing shop windows, with their bright lights, have been a constant source of attraction for parents as well as the little ones.

Saturday nights may be the only nights on which the stores will be kept open over time this year. Many stores, especially the large department stores, are considering the advisability of not opening their doors through the nights just prior to Christmas.

If this is not done this year it will be the first time for several years, and will undoubtedly make a great revision of the shopping schedule, as all gifts will have to be purchased during the hours of light.

Change in Taste for Gifts.

Another change which is making itself more evident annually, but which will probably be more in evidence this year than ever before, is the demand for articles demanded by purchasers for gifts for their friends and relatives. For instance, there are large numbers of books sold now which for the most part are filled with modern pictures and have little or no reading matter, in place of the less modern gift book, which contained much reading and little or no illustrations.

Even as to toys there is a great change to be seen. Here modern toys, right up to the minute in every detail, are demanded.

The small child of the present day is not content with the little horse and wagon which was a source of so much pride to his father and grandfather. His toys must be modeled after modern inventions and the stores find a large sale for these articles.

Toy phonographs, moving picture machines, electric and mechanical toys and telegraph instruments, and even the airplane are demanded. The toy airplane, though a comparative recent innovation in this country, is finding much favor in the eyes of the children of this city, state the salespeople, and airplane and automobile toys are sold in large quantities.

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Science Notes.

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The main product up to the present has been gold, the output of which for the past fiscal year is valued at about \$250,000; an increase of 14 per cent over that of 1905, in which year the output was about three times that of the previous year. Even more important from the viewpoint of general industrial development and civilization is the increase in the production of coal; the total quantity mined in 1905 was 30,000 tons, an increase of 155 per cent over the previous year, and more than seven times as great as the production in 1907.

The entire production now comes from two mines on the island of Batan, one at the extreme east and the other at the extreme west of the island. The seams at least one year's thickness, 6 inches to 5 feet 8 inches in thickness. Coal appears to be of Tertiary age; it is classified as subbituminous, is low in ash, and has given satisfactory results in raising steam.

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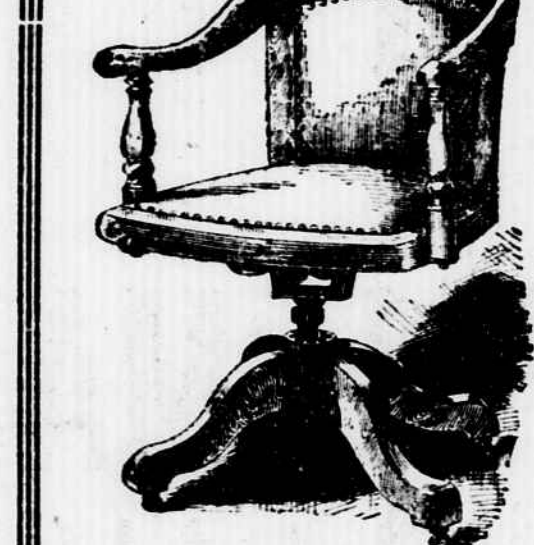
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A Due Regard for Economy Will Lead You to Take Instant Advantage of These Specials.

THOUSANDS of people are compelled to pay close attention to cost, while desiring to have their homes furnished with pieces which are artistically correct in style and of excellent workmanship. The best thing about buying Furniture here is the assurance that you are getting your money's worth—the satisfaction that comes from trading at a store where qualities can always be depended upon. When we offer such opportunities as these to make contemplated additions to your Furnishings you know that in addition to getting real bargain prices you are acquiring Furniture that will last and give reliable service. We've never offered a better assortment of good Furniture at low prices than are included in these offerings for tomorrow. We will be glad to arrange the payments of your purchase in amounts to suit your convenience.

A Pretty Table



This Handsome Little Table will look well in the parlor. It may be had in quarter-sawn oak or mahogany. A well designed and exceedingly attractive piece for \$2.95.

A Low Priced Rocker



While an inexpensive piece, this Rocker is strongly built and represents an exceptional value for the money. It is made of solid oak, with upholstered seat, and is finished with a good finish; arms braced with an iron rod. A great deal to buy for \$1.50.

Sale of Office Desks and Chairs.

Equip Your Office With the Best Furniture at Substantial Savings.

These Office Desks and Chairs are of the very best class of workmanship—many of them samples which we received from the factories to submit for government specifications. Such office furniture was never offered at these low prices before. It's a business proposition out of the ordinary. Each piece is so priced as to appeal to every business man's instinct to buy goods at the lowest figures. Considered as an investment this is the class of furniture you need to equip your office in the most up-to-date manner.

Revolving Base Office Chairs, Etc.

- \$8.50 Office Chairs.....\$6.50
- \$10.00 Office Chairs.....\$8.00
- \$11.50 Office Chairs.....\$9.00
- \$12.50 Office Chairs.....\$10.00
- \$15.00 Office Chairs.....\$12.00
- \$17.50 Office Chairs.....\$14.00
- \$18.00 Office Chairs.....\$15.00
- \$20.00 Office Chairs.....\$17.00
- \$11.50 Office Chairs, Early English finish.....\$9.00
- \$17.00 Office Chairs, Early English finish.....\$13.50
- \$11.50 Office Chairs, mahogany finish.....\$9.00
- \$17.00 Office Chairs, mahogany finish.....\$13.50
- \$7.50 Typewriter Chairs.....\$6.00
- \$8.50 Oak Typewriter Chairs.....\$6.50
- \$9.50 Oak Typewriter Chairs.....\$7.00

A Bargain in the Finest Typewriter Desk.

SPECIAL REDUCED PRICES on two High-grade Typewriter Desks (government samples), with the best and most practical typewriter attachment on the market today. Sanitary Base, \$42. Full Pedestal Base, \$45.

Best Roll Top Desks.

- \$25.00 Roll-top Desks.....\$19.50
- \$28.00 Roll-top Desks.....\$21.00
- \$30.00 Roll-top Desks.....\$23.50
- \$34.00 Roll-top Desks.....\$27.00
- \$42.00 Roll-top Desks.....\$34.00
- \$45.00 Roll-top Desks.....\$36.00
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- \$54.00 Roll-top Desks.....\$45.00
- \$62.00 Roll-top Desks.....\$53.00
- \$65.00 Roll-top Desks.....\$55.00
- \$68.00 Roll-top Desks.....\$57.00
- \$75.00 Roll-top Desks.....\$62.00

Flat Top Desks, Etc.

- \$5.00 Typewriter Stands.....\$3.75
- \$9.50 Typewriter Desks.....\$7.00
- \$26.00 Flat-top Desks.....\$20.00
- \$24.00 Flat-top Desks.....\$18.50
- \$34.00 Flat-top Desks, Early English finish.....\$27.00
- \$36.00 Flat-top Desks, mahogany finish.....\$28.00

A Dresser Bargain



If you want a new Dresser here is the best looking piece in town at the price. Made of American quartered oak, with French bevel plate mirror, this Dresser will look well in any home. It is well built and well worth buying at our very low price of \$8.25.

Odd Parlor Pieces



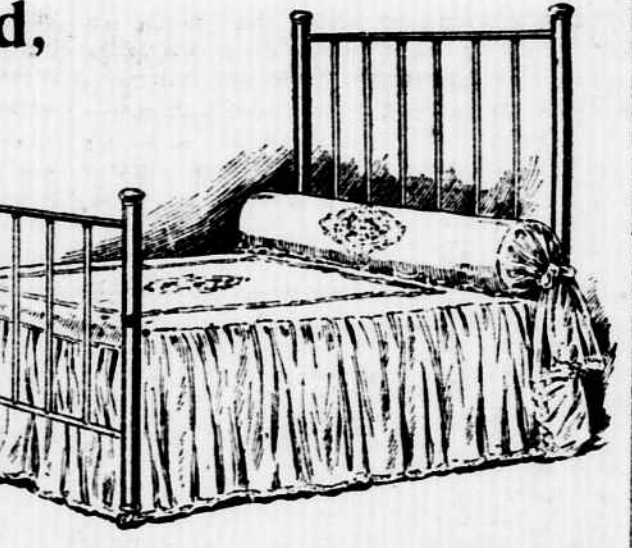
If you like Parlor Chairs and Odd Pieces of unique design this one will appeal to you. It is unusually handsome in design and finished in mahogany, with plush loose cushion seat. It will serve to introduce to you our parlor furnishings. Price.....\$6.75.

We Want You to Enjoy the Beauty of a New Brass Bed.

This Style Bed,

\$10

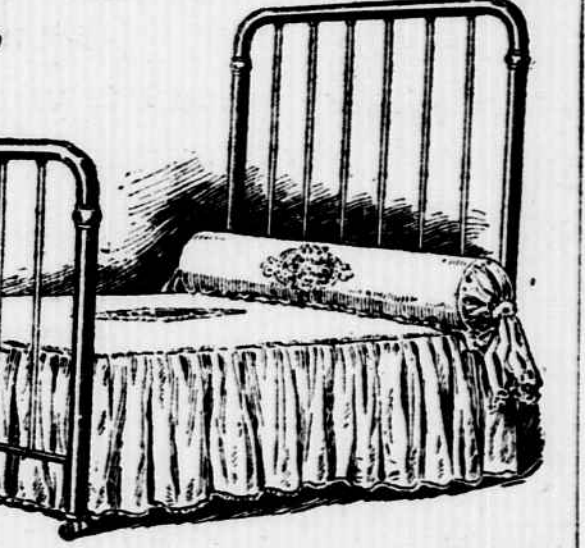
Not like ordinary beds made at \$10. This Brass Bed built to our order, and we know it is thoroughly reliable in construction and finish. It has heavy two-inch posts, with six uprights at head and foot and a lacquer that will give satisfaction. A regular \$25 bed for \$10.



This Brass Bed,

\$18

We supervised the making of this Bed and it embodies a high class of workmanship and finish. Exactly like our \$25 bed, with heavy continuous two-inch posts; six uprights at head and foot and a lacquer that will give satisfaction. A regular \$25 bed for \$18.



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A Fine Morris Chair,

\$9.75

Now is the time of year you'll enjoy resting your tired body in a big Morris Chair. We procure our style from our enormous stock which will gratify your taste and be easy to make.

Made with a very strong and substantial frame, handsome design, complete with reversible velvet-covered cushions. Our price.....\$9.75.

Combination Bookcase,

\$17.45

A place for your best books and a convenient writing desk are combined in this piece, which will look attractive in almost any room. Made in oak with large, roomy drawers and French bevel-plate mirror, this piece is very desirable. The price is surely low enough at \$17.45.

Our price.....\$17.45.

A Wonder in Rockers,

\$5.00

The utmost in size, comfortable lines and good appearance for the price is what this Rocker represents. Nothing has been spared in construction, either, to make this a value. It is well built, and the upholstered seat and back are covered with a good imitation of leather. Tomorrow for.....\$5.00.

Buffet,

\$22.50

Built of genuine quarter sawed oak, with large French bevel-plate mirror, this buffet is most artistic in design and pleasing in appearance. A value that emphasizes our leadership. Special price, \$22.50.

Postmaster General Hitchcock.

of Stock Foots. "This is a pitiable sight," said Postmaster General Hitchcock yesterday, as he pointed to a pile of letters, a foot high, lying on his desk, all of them complaints from people in various parts of the country who had invented money in "get-rich-quick" concerns, whose alluring announcements had promised large dividends to the purchasers. Many letters contained stock certificates and bonds which are worth no more than the paper they are printed on. Mr. Hitchcock declares that the department is "hotfoot" on the trail of some concerns, and that he hoped they will be brought to the ground. "Many of these letters," said Mr. Hitchcock, "are sad commentaries on the misplaced confidence which men and women, many of them poor, have placed in their fellows. Thousands of such letters are received annually. "The department is going to do its best to put these concerns out of business."

TEST HIGH EXPLOSIVES ON OLD RAM KATAHDIN

Target Practice Will Take Place in Potomac, Off Indian Head.

To test nitroglycerin explosive in a shell fired from a big gun the government will anchor the old ram Katahdin in the Potomac river at Indian Head and have the gunners of a battleship shoot at her. Two small plothouses made of armor plate are being constructed on the Katahdin, and these are to be the targets for the shells from the battleship. The tests will be made within the next two weeks.

The shells to be used in the tests are different from high explosive or armor piercing shells now used in the navy.

Claims for New Shell.

The new shell has a number of transverse walls, with a central opening running through the base of the shell. The opening between these transverse walls is filled with the explosive. The rear wall of the explosive is very thick and the inventor claims that this, with the velocity of the projectile, will keep the high explosive against that part of the ship which it is desired to batter.

It is probable that the monitor Tallahassee will be selected to do the bombardment.

Officials to Witness Test.

The test will be witnessed by Assistant Secretary Withrop and other naval officials and officers. The Katahdin, it is said, will be the last ship on which the

NAVY DEPARTMENT WILL MAKE TESTS OF NEWLY INVENTED EXPLOSIVES.

While Katahdin is not nearly so valuable a ship as was the Puritan, which lies in the mud of Hampton roads as the result of recent explosive tests, it is claimed that the test to be made on the old ram is of far more importance than those conducted on the monitor.

Famous Names and Their Owners.

From the London Globe. Somebody has been looking through the names in the London Directory and finds that a Sebastian Bach is today a horse dealer; John Milton a grocer, a William Shakespeare a tailor, a Julius Caesar a chemist, Homer a lampighter, Pindar an electrician, Mays a beer seller, Venus a surveyor of sweets, Francis Bacon an architect and Bayard a dairyman. The Paris Directory offers similar surprises. It contains addresses who reside in the names of Charlemagne and Lamartine; Justinian is a baker, Racine a milkman, Lesage a spirit merchant, Daudet a maker of lemonade, Berthelet a bootmaker, Hoissier a grocer and Dumas a furniture dealer.

Potatoes.

From the Edinburgh Dispatch. Carlyle once told a man who was financially interested in gold mining that all the gold ever produced by California was not worth one good mealy potato. And yet the potato in Scotland has a history of less than 200 years. When Macdonald of Clanranald in 1743 bought seed potatoes for his tenants in South Uist they objected to planting them because the potato is not mentioned in the Bible! Somewhat later George Bachop, one of the Ochtertyre tenants, when told by his wife that she had potatoes for supper, contemptuously replied: "Tatties! tatties! I never sup on 'em" my days, and I winna the night. 'Gie them to the herd and get me sovens."

A skeleton, believed to be that of an Indian chief, has been unearthed by workmen in a part of Dorchester, Mass. Near the bones were a tomahawk, two spears and a jar of beads.

STEAMER VIOLET SOLD BY LIGHTHOUSE BOARD

Vessel Once Used by President Cleveland on Hunting Trips.

The old lighthouse service steamer, Violet, which for the past quarter of a century has been doing buoy duty in the waters of Chesapeake bay and its tributaries, and which has been displaced by a larger and more modern vessel, was recently sold at public auction at the lighthouse service station at Portsmouth, Va., Frank Samuels of Philadelphia becoming the purchaser for \$1,025.

In Service During Civil War.

The vessel was built at Elizabethport, N. J., in 1864, and was named the Martha Washington. Soon after being built she was purchased by the government and saw service during the civil war, and some years after the war was transferred to the lighthouse service. The Violet is a sidewheel wooden hull vessel of 211 gross and 106 net tons register, and is 143 feet long, 23 feet beam and 8.7 feet deep. She has given efficient service in the district. The Violet, before the days of private yachts for the President, kept in commission at government expense, was used by Grover Cleveland, when President of the United States, for his hunting trips to the Carolina sounds.

Extra Expense Paid by President.

These expeditions were made on regular trips of the vessel, while it was employed in buoy work, and all expenses made necessary by his presence

on the vessel were paid for out of the private purse of Mr. Cleveland.

Capt. Dutton and others who remember him speak in praise of his kindness and thoughtfulness while their shipmate.

DELAY IS OBJECTED TO.

The Department of Justice yesterday filed in the Supreme Court of the United States a request that the appeals of Christopher C. Wilson, president of the United Wireless Telegraph Company, from the decisions of the New York courts which sent him to jail because he would not produce the books of the company for examination by the grand jury be advanced for an early hearing.

Department of Justice Would Hurry Wireless Case Prosecution.

The department has been stayed for more than seven weeks on account of the appeals.

Army Officer Resigns.

The President has accepted the resignation of Capt. Thomas Franklin, to take effect at once. Capt. Franklin is from Maryland and served in the ranks of the army for five years before his appointment as second lieutenant 224 Infantry in March, 1897. During the Philippine insurrection he served in the subsistence department of the volunteer army for a little over a year. In February, 1904, he was appointed a captain in the regular subsistence department, and lately has been on duty on Governors Island.

Investigation into the recent murder of Dr. L. W. Gilbert, a California physician, who is supposed to be the heir to a \$1,500,000 estate, has revealed the fact that he was killed by a Plute Indian named Queho.

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